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“The finding of this skeleton strengthens the belief that the evolution of man was an infinitely longer process than we originally thought. At one time the believers in the evolution theory thought that man's development to his present state might have taken something like ten thousand years. Later they put the period around 120,000. The difference, if any, between this man's bony framework and modern man's are so minute as to prove that evolution must have taken hundreds of thousands of years.
“This discovery shows the England was inhabited as early if not earlier than at Continental country.”

It seems absurd, remarks the Singapore Free Press, that the decision as to whether two people were legally married or not should hang on the question of their having had picked tea at the wedding breakfast. That, however, was solemnly argued before the Privy Council on Jan. 26th, and it is not quite as absurd as it looks. The appeal was one from Burma, and it seems the picked tea is almost as essential there to a legal wedding as the licence over here. The case is a curious example of what manner of strange law at Imperial judgment has to administer.

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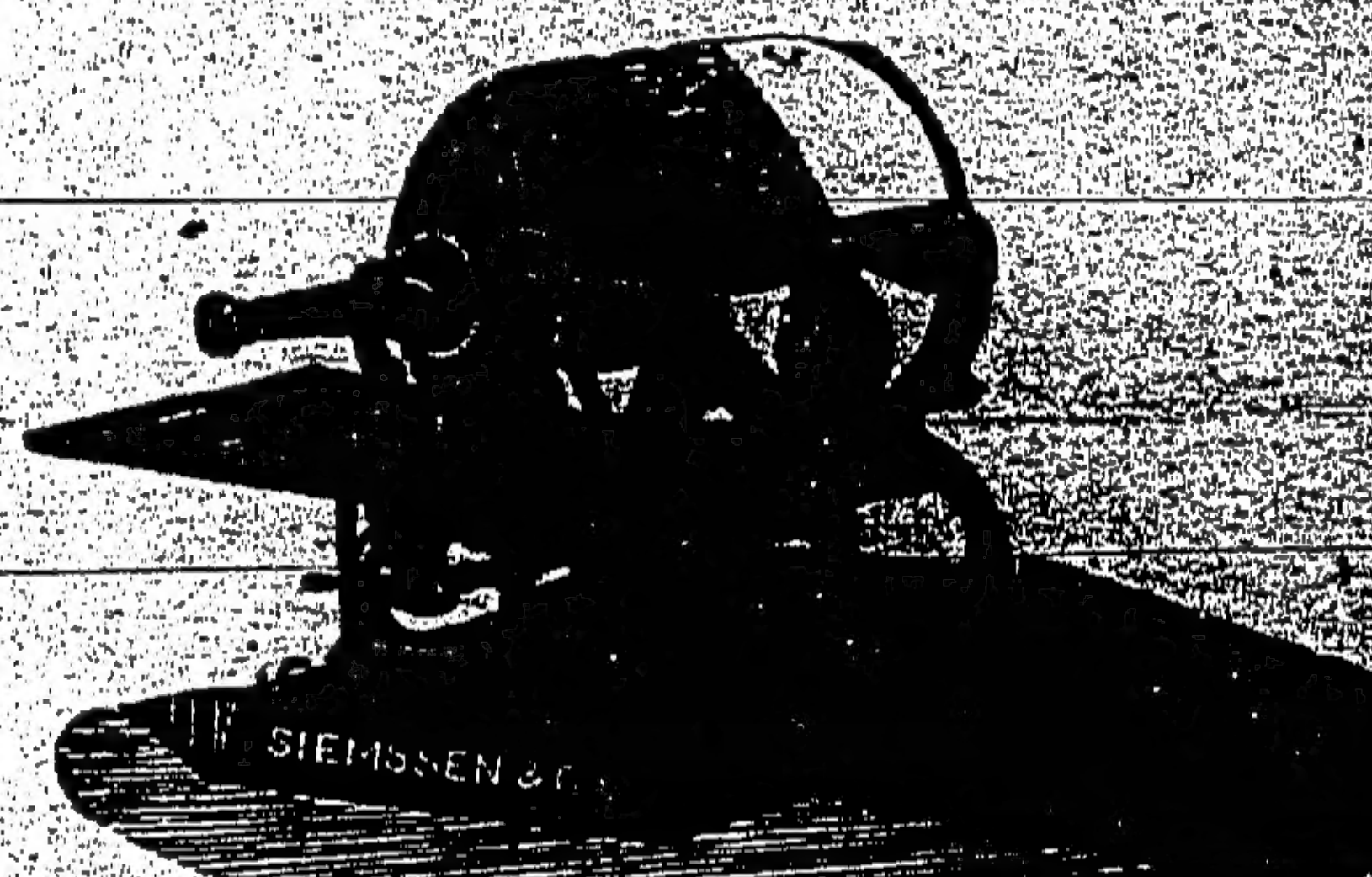
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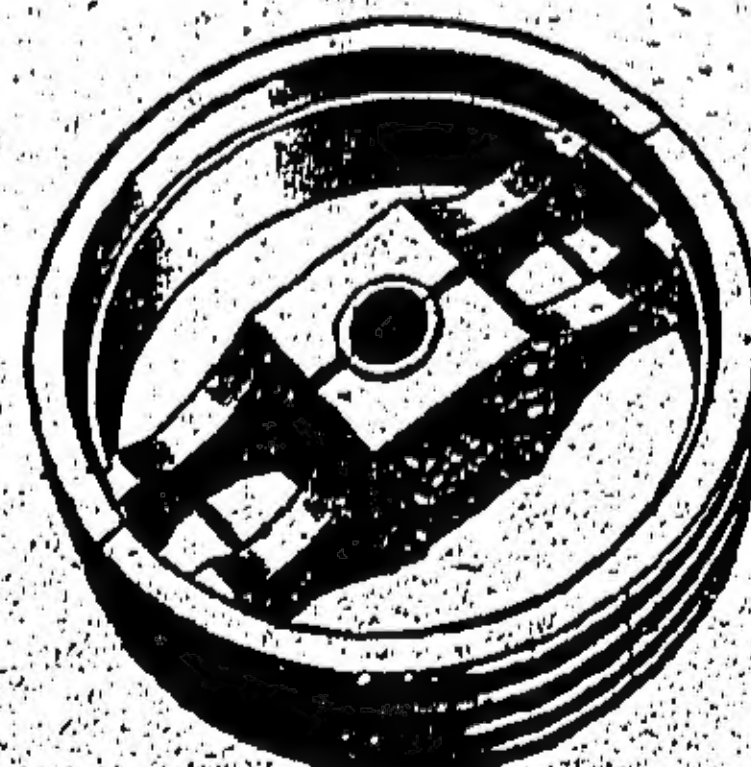
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o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving
a Statement of Accounts and the Report
of the Directors for the year ending 31st
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pany will be CLOSED from 23rd February
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By Order of the Board of Directors,
H. F. HICKMAN,
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Hongkong, February 15, 1912.

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Building, 4, Connaught Road, Victoria, on
SATURDAY, the 9th March, 1912, at
11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving
a Statement of Accounts and the Report
of the General Managers for the year ending
31st December, 1911, and electing a Con-
sulting Committee and Auditors.

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Hongkong, February 27, 1912.

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in the above COMPANY will be held at
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STORY OF THE ABDICATION.

As Told by Yuan Shih-kai.

H. E. Yuan Shih-kai, according to the
China Press, has circulated the following
telegram among all the Viceroy and
Governors of China:—

"On account of sickness I retired for
three years and had no desire to interfere
in events.

"A mandate from the Court urged me
to emerge from my retirement. I refused
repeatedly, but it was of no avail. From
the time when I again led the troops and
later when I came to Court I was animated
with the purpose of establishing a con-
stitutional monarchy, but the state of the
country changed; in Peking and the Pro-
vinces numerous influences exerted their
pressure. The east and south became
disintegrated; the west and the north
followed suit, province by province. The
National Assembly and the Provincial As-
semblies all favored the policy of not
using military force to put down the
disturbances. The treasury was destitute
of funds; difficulties interposed in the way
of raising loans. It was impossible to
purchase munitions of war or to increase
the military establishment.

"Therefore, when Hankow was regained,
the Naval forces were lost; the moment
Hanyang was reconquered Nanking fell.
The power of the Government over the
waterways and the sea was gone and the
sources of revenue were cut off. Although
in various ways I encouraged the military
in greater effort, secured the revocation of
Shantung's declaration of independence,
subdued the capital of Shansi and Loyang,
reconquered the region around Tsung-tai
and did all in my power to prop up the
North, so that it might enjoy a certain
degree of peace, yet the tide was too strong
and swept every locality. Societies among
the people were scattered everywhere; Peking
and Tientsin plotted immediate insur-
rection; local bandits were swarming;
placing my soldiers here and there for
defense, this defense I found impossible to
secure.

"Moreover, at this time there was in-
ternational intervention and it was requested
that in the interests of humanity a
truce be declared and negotiations under-
taken. Therefore, there began
conferences between the representatives
and an edict was issued, decreeing the
fixing of the form of government by popular
opinion.

"Protracted discussion resulted in no-
thing and continued delay meant increased
danger of universal rising. Foreigners
continually uttered reproach on the scores of
commercial interests and the indemnity.
Members of secret societies and local rob-
bers broke out into violence against women,
rapine and murder, and because the country
was in such a chaotic state politically it
was difficult to restore order.

"Subsequently Cui-lun, Li, Hanu seve-
rally declared independence; repeated
disorders arose; two, in Tibet. Within
there was rain; without there was fur-
nished the possibility of foreign intervention.
No revolutionary forces were coming by

various routes to attack the north. Dis-
quieting reports came in numbers from
Shan-tung and Honan. Hanchow and
Ying-chow could not be saved by the re-
cruiting forces sent to them. It was absolutely
impossible in spite of many expedients
to collect funds for military uses. In order
to last out the year a million taels were
absolutely essential. Moreover the spirit
of the army was shaken, governmental
policies underwent transformation.

"At this juncture had the strife been con-
tinued in a very short time it would have
been spring, the weather would have
become mild and the ice would have
melted, the revolutionary army would
have come north, and in that case it would
have been impossible, either to fight, or
negotiate for peace. Not only would the
lives of the people have been plunged into
distress, but Peking would have been
shaken with terror and how then could the
possession of the Imperial Tombs be secured,
or the protection of the Imperial Tombs be
Temples assured? What of the Imperial
Family and the livelihood of the Banner-
men?

"Emmeshed in these difficulties it was
futile for me to pray for death, and re-
quests for my dismissal were refused. With
Hu Wei-ta and others I indulged in secret
grief and hidden sighs. Facing each other
we could do nothing but weep.

"Recently the Ministers to foreign
nations, the commercial associations at the
ports, the different conferences, the various
troops, and the Provincial Viceroy and
Governors have sent telegrams, all stating
that the will of the people is bent on a
Republic and that it would be well-nigh
impossible to make stand against it. The
crucial moment for affairs was one of
extreme danger; fate hung upon the intake
or expulsion of a breath.

"Should the enemy arrive at the walls
of the Capital the disasters resulting would
be unimaginable. How much better for
the Throne of its own grace to proclaim
the republic as an early date. Thus would
the Throne lose none of its glory and the
people in their joy would be moved to
grateful recompense.

"There was condemnation of the policy
of staking the fate of their Imperial majes-
ties and the lives and property of the north
on a single throw, trusting to luck in a
single battle, without taking careful thought
of every aspect of the case.

"Her Gracious Majesty and the Imperial
Nobility, taking cognizance of the state of
affairs and making confidential inquiries as
to the sentiments of the people, held re-
peated conferences and came to the un-
animous conclusion that fighting was under
no circumstances permissible.

"I, Yuan Shih-kai, and the others, re-
ceived many gracious commands from Her
Imperial Majesty, emphatically directing
that by mutual consent and encouragement,
we might plan for the protection of the
Imperial Ancestral Temples and the Ma-

(Continued on page 3.)

SORE THROAT
ITS CAUSE AND CURE

DOCTOR, is there any danger of
Diphtheria?
That is the first question invariably put
to the doctor about every case of sore
throat, proof of the ever-present fear of
that terrible disease.

"Are you going to give a gargle?
Diphtheria?" is the next question.

"Certainly not," says the modern doc-
tor. "As a famous throat specialist
has recently written, 'gargling has long
since been relegated to that oblivion which
is only deserved. I am going to prescribe
Formamin. Formamin—the germ-killing
throat tablet, which is the supreme, reliable
remedy in all these cases, for it contains
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fluenza.

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troubles, of which there is an epidemic in
China just now, should take a Formamin
tablet occasionally, and so safeguard them-
selves against it.

Formamin will also prevent such infec-
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Measles, Mumps, Whooping-Cough, and
Croup, for when germs enter the body
through the mouth and throat.

How certainly Formamin cures and
prevents these diseases this case, recently
reported in The General Practitioner, vividly
shows. Two children with Diphtheria
were taken from home to a hospital, where
one died. The mother and another child
who had slept in the same room with them
got sore throat. They were thus in obvious
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Formamin was immediately given to
them and the other people in the house.
The two sufferers got well in three days,
and not one person in the whole house got
Diphtheria.

Scores of similar cases, proving how
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germ diseases, can be quoted.

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testified to the value of Walling's For-
mamin, both as a cure for sore throat,
mouth troubles, etc., and as a preventive
of infectious diseases like Diphtheria,
Scarlet Fever, Measles, etc. Moreover,
their testimony is corroborated by that of
innumerable patients amongst whom are
many of the most distinguished men and
women of to-day.

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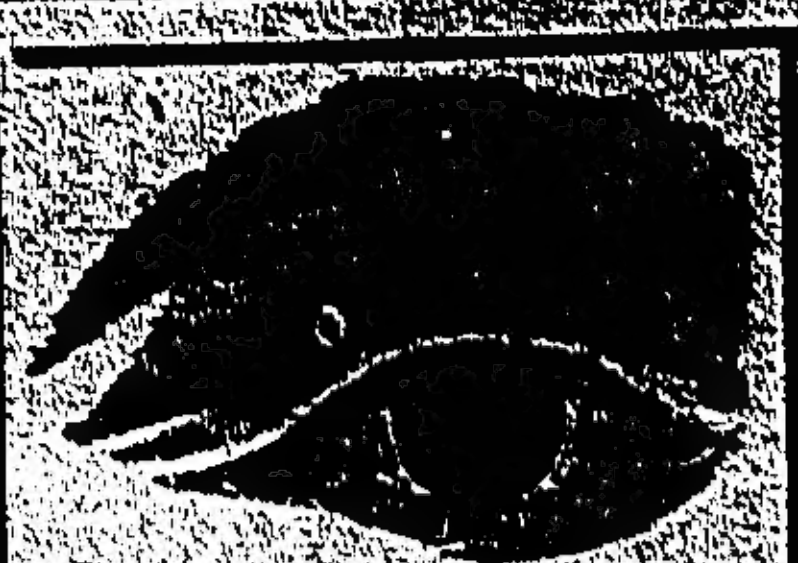
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2—Fugue in G minor, Chopin.
3—Etude de Concert in G minor.
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6—XIIIe Rapsonde Hongroise, Liszt.
7—Jardins sous la pluie, Debussy.
Piano: Pleyel (Paris).

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NEWS FROM HOME

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, February 7.

GERMAN COLLEGE RE-ENTRIES.

Before long German university men in the Far East are likely to hear from home of a new movement started by the Kaiser to link up the ex-students and their alma mater, no matter where they may be. America has some of these college fraternities and the Emperor deplors the absence of associations that will keep former students at the principal colleges and gymnasia in Germany in touch with each other.

English universities have not taken this kind of thing up very systematically, though the Oxford and Cambridge Unions and sundry clubs in London restricted to university men, and a few Masonic lodges, take the place of the fraternities to some extent.

LASCARS NOT FIGHT.

Birkenhead docks are not noted for gentle manners, but the men who foregather there had a thrill the other day that eclipsed any "scrap" of the past twelve months. The Bibby liner Herefordshire, lying in the Float, was taking coal prior to her trip to Rangoon, when the peaceful if grimy scene suddenly developed warfare of a sanguinary kind. The Lascars are, of course, quick to take offence, so when a fireman came along and picked up a can of water they were heating at the fire hostilities began between seamen and firemen in the twinkling of an eye. The dispute made for the poop-deck where the fight extended, the lascars using iron bars or anything that came handy. These they used with deadly effect and the Seafarers were quite powerless to induce the lascars to suspend their rain of blows. At last the officers were summoned and drove the men below at the point of their revolvers, but not till the deck looked like a shambles, for blood was spilt all about and twenty men had to be treated at the hospital.

GOVERNMENT JOBS.

The Insurance Bill promises to create the largest official department under the Crown, so far as the number of the staff is concerned. There will be insurance commissioners, inspectors and any amount of other billets to be filled, and ever since the Bill was passed applications have fairly poured in. Now the Civil Service commissioners have been called in to lend a hand with the avalanche of letters, positions recommendations, political testimonials and the like. Ireland alone has sent ten thousand applications for jobs and though the announcement was made that to bring political pressure to bear would disqualify the applicant the pressure is being brought all the same, and there are Mark Tipples enough in these islands just now to stock the entire empire.

But when the authorities came to contemplate the army of untried officials trying to carry out the provisions of the complicated enough in all conscience—they were appalled. So they have taken as many civil servants as they can from the Customs, Excise and other departments where the men have had training not merely in indoor administration but also in dealing direct with the outside public. After the chief jobs have been filled with these civil servants the subordinate positions will be occupied by selected applicants, preferably officials of benefit societies coming under the Act, who have had experience of dealing with sickness and out of work pay among the poorer classes. But in Ireland the societies of that kind are few, so there will be a lively scramble for places and it is to be feared that there will be a good deal of political wirepulling first and a good deal of friction afterwards. The new department evidently appeals to the Civil Service, for when the terms of the positions were issued and applications were invited first of all from the Civil Service, the applications for transfer startled the officials. Evidently the men look for quicker promotion and snigger billets in a new department that has every appearance of growing to great dimensions.

CABINET TROUBLES.

The speech by Mr. J. M. Robertson throwing cold water on the idea that Ireland should have fiscal freedom has greatly annoyed many Irishmen. The outlook is by no means gay for the Cabinet. They are credited with considering a compromise on this Irish fiscal freedom matter. This is to be on the line that the Imperial Exchange should control Irish Customs and Excise until the Irish land loan is liquidated—say about ten years. However, much may happen before that comes to anything.

Right from the start there are to be theory obstacles to be surmounted in the shape of suffrage, labour and nonconformist grievances.

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Tango Maru, L. S. S. S. Feb. 20.

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Minnesota, L. S. S. S. Feb. 23.

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Aradia, L. S. S. S. Feb. 9.

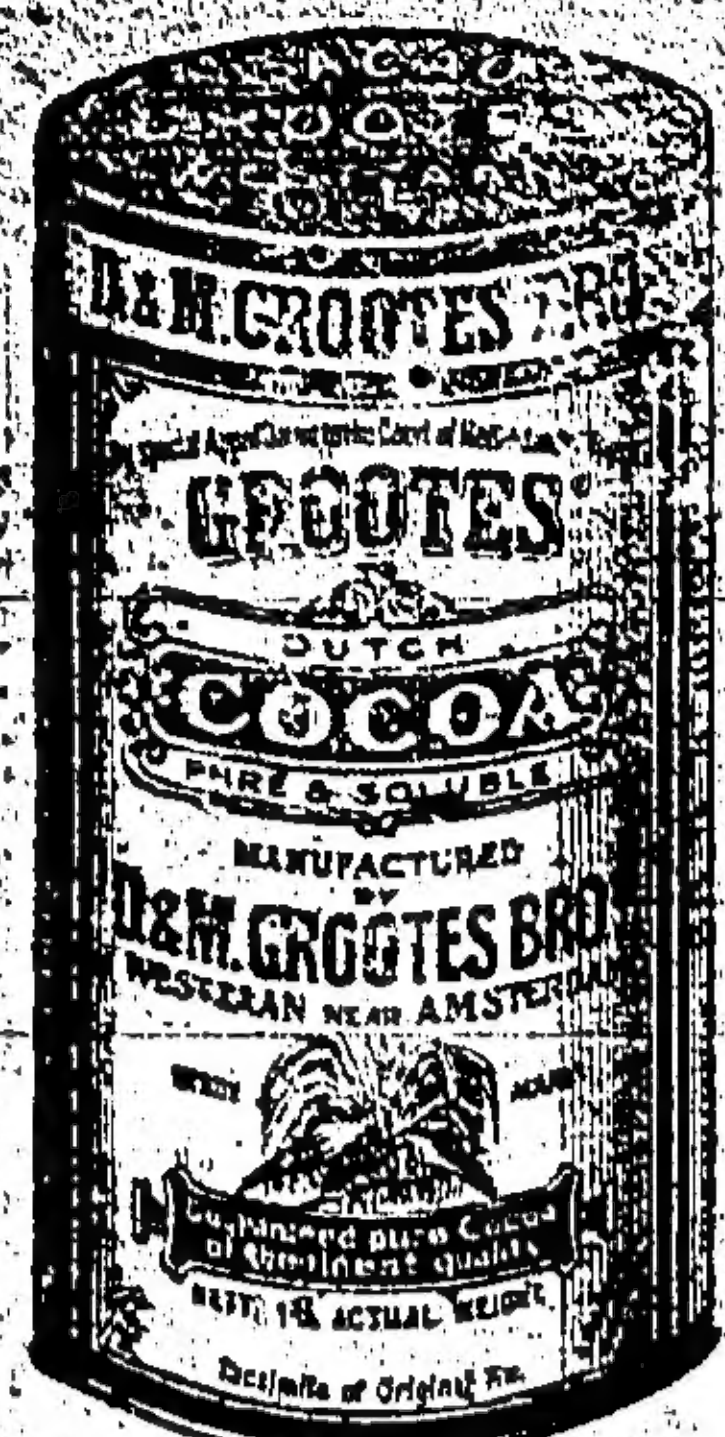
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SEALED TENDERS are invited for
UPHOLSTERY, CLEANING and
DYEING WORK for H. M. Naval
Establishments for one year from the 1st
April next.

Tenders will be received at the Commo-
dore's Office until Noon on FRIDAY, the
15th March, 1912.

Forms of tender may be obtained on
application to the NAVAL STORES OFFICES,
H. M. Naval Yard.

The right is reserved of rejecting all or
any tenders and of accepting any portion
of a tender.

F. WESTON,
Naval Store Officer.
Hongkong, March 6, 1912. 323

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AT 9 P.M.

Prices: \$3, \$2, \$1.
Sailors and Soldiers in uniform Half-price
to \$2 and \$1 Seats.

Booking at the ROBINSON PIANO
CO. opens Thursday, 14th March, at
10 a.m.

Hongkong, March 6, 1912. 324

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-FIRST HALF-
YEARLY DRAWING OF SIXTY-
FIVE DEBENTURES (1898 issue) of the
Hongkong Club, payable on SATURDAY
the 30th March, 1912, will be held at the Club
House at 11 o'clock a.m. on FRIDAY,
the 22nd March, 1912.

Members of Debentures are invited to
attend the drawing.

Order, JAMES CRAIK,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 6, 1912. 326

TO LET.

'WELLBURN,' The Peak, 6 ROOMS
from 1st June, 1912.

Apply to
PERCY SMITH, ETHEL & FLEMING,
8, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, March 6, 1912. 326

FOR SALE.

WITH or without furniture, 'TOP
CREST,' No. 8, The Peak, with
views of the harbour and adjacent islands.
Apply to
LINDSEY & DAVIS,
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings,
Hongkong, March 6, 1912. 329

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions
to sell by Public Auction
on
FRIDAY,
the 8th March, 1912, commencing at
2.45 P.M., at DUNDON, The Peak,
A QUANTITY OF
VALUABLE
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE
(Particulars from Catalogue).

On View from Thursday, the 7th March.
Terms:—As usual.

GEO. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, March 6, 1912. 329

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL-LINE.

KORDEUTSCHER LLOYD
FRIEDRICH VILHELM HAPAG.FOR MANILA, CANGA, YAP,
FRIEDRICH VILHELM HAPAG.HABAU, BRISBANE AND
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THE departure of the steamship
GUYRA, for CANGA, YAP, and
FRIEDRICH VILHELM HAPAG, on
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For further particulars apply to
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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

From Hongkong, 6.00 a.m. E. T.
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PART OFFICE NOTICES.

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